FISCAL NOTE

HB 683 - SB 777

March 7, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the "Tennessee Trauma Center Funding Law of 2005" and directs that a Trauma Center Fund be established to provide funding for the designated trauma centers in Tennessee based on the number of trauma patients served by the hospital. Directs the Department of Health to distribute funding from revenues generated by various fees for driving violations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$80,000 Recurring/Trauma Center Fund \$8,000 One-Time/Trauma Center Fund

Increase State Revenues – Exceeds \$5,948,000/Trauma Center Fund Increase Local Govt. Revenues - \$313,000

Assumptions:

- Following are the annual statewide driving violations 156,000 speeding, 3,650 reckless driving, 22,400 driving on revoked, suspended or canceled licenses, 19,300 driving under the influence (D.U.I.), 33,000 seat belt, 7,000 financial responsibility law and 10 assaults with a vehicle.
- Fees established for the Trauma Center Fund will be assessed as follows: \$25 speeding, \$30 reckless driving, \$30 driving on revoked, suspended or canceled licenses, \$30 driving under the influence (D.U.I.), \$25 seat belt, \$25 financial responsibility law and \$20 assaults with a vehicle.
- County court clerks will receive 5% of the total fines collected.
- Department of Health will require two new positions, and will incur expenditures for travel, computer, landscaping supplies and office supplies.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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